WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A nail clipper comprising

top and bottom elongated members, each of which has a top surface, a bottom surface, a pair of side surfaces, and distal and proximal ends;

the distal ends of the top and bottom elongated members being interconnected;

each of the proximal ends of the top and bottom members having a cutting edge disposed in opposing nail clipping relationship;

a post extending from the top surface of the bottom elongated member adjacent the proximal end thereof through an opening in the top member adjacent the proximal end thereof to a point above the top surface of the top elongated member;

a lever coupled to the post above the top surface of the top member, the lever adapted to cause movement of the cutting edges between a cutting position and non-cutting position; and

a bumper disposed on the bottom surface of the bottom member, the bumper having an edge disposed distant from the second end of the bottom member.

2. A nail clipper according to claim 1, wherein the post extends through the bottom member and the bumper covers the portion of the post extending through the bottom member.

3. A nail clipper according to claim 2, wherein said edge of the bumper is disposed distant from the second end of the bottom member about 1/4

or less of the distance from the proximal end to the distal end of the bottom member.

4. A nail clipper according to claim 1, wherein said edge of the bumper is disposed distant from the proximal end of the bottom member about 1/4 or less of the distance from the proximal end to the distal end of the bottom member.

5. A nail clipper according to claim 1, wherein the bumper extends from about the proximal end to said edge and has a generally triangular shape whose apex is distant from the bottom elongated member.

6. A nail clipper according to claim 5, wherein said lever includes a thumb accepting depression.

7. A nail clipper according to claim 6, wherein the cutting edges are offset from a central longitudinal axis of the top and bottom elongated members.

8. A nail clipper according to claim 1, wherein the cutting edges are offset from a central longitudinal axis of the top and bottom elongated members.

9. A nail clipper according to claim 1, wherein the proximal ends of the top and the bottom elongated members have a color which contrasts the nail to be clipped.

10. A nail clipper according to claim 9, wherein a portion of each member of the pair of sides of the top elongated member adjacent the distal end

thereof extend below the bottom surface of the top member so as to form a generally U-shape with the bottom surface, and wherein the distance between the pair of side surfaces of the top member is greater than the distance between the pair of side surfaces of the bottom member.

11. A nail clipper comprising

top and bottom elongated members, each of which has a top surface, a bottom surface, a pair of side surfaces, and distal and proximal second ends;

the distal ends of the top and bottom elongated members being interconnected;

each of the proximal ends of the top and bottom members having a cutting edge disposed in opposing clipping relationship;

a post extending from the top surface of the bottom elongated member adjacent the proximal end thereof through an opening in the top member adjacent the proximal end thereof to a point above the top surface of the top elongated member;

a lever coupled to the post above the top surface of the top member, the lever adapted to cause movement of the cutting edges between a cutting position and non-cutting position,

wherein the second end of the top and bottom elongated members have a color which contrasts the nail to be clipped.

12. A nail clipper according to claim 9, wherein a portion of each member of the pair of sides of the top elongated member adjacent the distal end thereof extend below the bottom surface of the top member so as to form a generally U-shape with the bottom surface, and wherein the distance between

the pair of side surfaces of the top member is greater than the distance between the pair of side surfaces of the bottom member.

13. A nail clipper according to claim 11, wherein the cutting edges are offset from a he central longitudinal axis of the top and bottom elongated members.

14. A nail clipper comprising

top and bottom elongated members, each of which has a top surface, a bottom surface, a pair of side surfaces, and distal and proximal ends;

the distal ends of the top and bottom elongated members being interconnected;

each of the proximal ends of the top and bottom members having a cutting edge disposed in opposing clipping relationship;

a post extending from the top surface of the bottom elongated member adjacent the proximal end thereof through an opening in the top member adjacent the proximal end thereof to a point above the top surface of the top elongated member;

a lever coupled to the post above the top surface of the top member, the lever adapted to cause movement of the cutting edges between a cutting position and non-cutting position,

wherein a portion of each member of the pair of sides of the top elongated member adjacent the distal end thereof extend below the bottom surface of the top member so as to form a generally U-shape with the bottom surface, and wherein the distance between the pair of side surfaces of the top member is greater than the distance between the pair of side surfaces of the bottom member

25 15. A nail clipper according to claim 14, wherein the cutting edges are offset from a central longitudinal axis of the top and bottom elongated members.